

'IT HAPPENS ALMOST EVERY DAY . . .'

CIA Man and G-Girl Are Robbed at 'Scott's Beach'

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It was hot and muggy in his apartment last night, a full summer moon glowed outside his window, and CIA investigator Thomas E. Dunk, 27, of 2112 O-st nw, couldn't sleep. Miss Shirley B. McGowan, 32, a pretty Pentagon secretary who lives down the hall, said Mr. Dunk knocked gently at her door about midnight and asked if she was asleep.

"I was just studying," she said, "and it was so hot we decided to go out. I don't know Mr. Dunk very well, but he's very nice and a perfect gentleman."

A little later, Mr. Dunk and Miss McGowan were sitting on the grassy slope at "Scott's Beach," overlooking Rock Creek Parkway at 22d and P streets nw, when two colored men appeared out of the darkness.

ENCOUNTER

Police said Mr. Dunk told them the taller of the two asked, in perfect English, "Have you seen John and his girl friend?"

Mr. Dunk said he hadn't. Then he stood up and noticed the second stranger, his head wrapped in a red shirt and a rock clutched in his hand.

"That's Roy, he don't talk so good," the first man said.

He asked once more about "John and his girl friend," police said, then turned on "Roy," who was standing by silently, and told him: "Shut up!"

STRUCK

Police said Mr. Dunk told them Miss McGowan began edging away and the tall man suddenly swung at him with a club and hit him in the face. Miss McGowan started screaming and the other man grabbed her.

Then they went thru Mr

Dunk's wallet, took \$9, his CIA badge, his watch and fountain pen. The tall man emptied Miss McGowan's purse, took \$7, and grabbed her wrist watch.

Then they dropped their weapons, ran down the bank and south along the creek. Miss McGowan, screaming, ran for help. She found three

white men sound asleep on the grass nearby.

"I woke them up and told them what happened," Miss McGowan said, "but I think they thought they were dreaming."

"I was awfully upset about it, but I don't know why. 'It happens almost every day' in Washington."